

## **Neighborhood Organization Information**

#### **1. NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION**

## **Bryant Neighborhood Organization**

#### **2. ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION**

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#### **3. DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL**

Once your board has reviewed this draft annual report, please provide the date of the meeting at which the board approved submission of this report to NCR. Note: Meeting minutes may be requested by NCR.

### 4/28/2017

### Stakeholder Involvement - Basic Outreach & Engagement

#### WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES DID YOUR ORGANIZATION USE IN 2016?

#### 4. MEETINGS (please check all that apply)



Held regular committee meetings or discussion groups that are open to all stakeholders.



Held at least one general membership or community meeting (in addition to the annual meeting) to gather input from residents and other stakeholders for a neighborhood specific initiative.



Hosted at least one general membership or committee meeting in response to a City request for input - such as a development proposal, transit planning or public works project.



Conducted one or more focus groups.

#### 5. DOOR-TO-DOOR (please check all that apply) Door-Knocking or Dropping Flyers Door-to-Door



At least once with goal of reaching a portion of neighborhood.



At least once with goal of reaching most or all of neighborhood.



For more than one issue/outreach effort.



On a routine basis.

#### 6. Door-Knocking/Flyering



Was carried out primarily by staff



Was carried out primarily by volunteers

#### 7. Door-Knocking/Flyering



Was carried out primarily to increase membership and participation



Was carried out primarily to get input on specific city or neighborhood issue



Was carried out primarily to inform stakeholders of a city or neighborhood issue

#### 8. Approximately how many households did your organization reach through door-knocking in 2016?

#### 900

#### 9. EVENTS (please check all that apply)

Staffed a booth or table at neighborhood event or other community event that included sign-up sheets, surveys or information about your organization.



Organized one or more issue specific event (such as a safety forum, housing fair, Open Streets, Creative Citymaking, etc).

Organized smaller events for specific outreach to target audiences (e.g., sidewalk tabling to reach renters, lemonade stands, tabling at Farmer's Market, etc.)

#### **10. OTHER (please check all that apply)**

Conducted at least one community-wide survey (such as a random sample or all-household survey).



Conducted another form of survey (e.g., intercept survey).



Developed partnerships with cultural, religious, professional or business associations to expand outreach into under-represented populations.



Distributed a quarterly or semi-annual newsletter to all households.



Other activities (please describe here):

#### 11. Please provide an estimate of volunteer hours provided to your organization in 2016

#### 1,200

**12.** How did your organization reach out to under-represented groups in your neighborhood? (Please check all that apply)



Worked on an issue of particular interest to an under-represented group within the neighborhood.



Provided notices of annual and special meetings in multiple languages.



Provided newsletter articles or web pages in multiple languages.



Targeted outreach in apartment buildings or blocks to reach renters.



Targeted tabling at other events or locations (such as farmers markets, cultural events, etc.).



Held focus groups or open meeting formats for under-represented communities.



Met with other agencies in the community that work closely with underrepresented constituencies in the neighborhood.

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Included an Americans with Disabilities Act statement on meeting and event notices.



Reviewed participation activities, and identified new leaders and volunteers for volunteer, committee and board participation.

Held one-time/pop up events in areas of the neighborhood that don't often have neighborhood meetings



Other activities (please describe here):

# 13. What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your Stakeholder Involvement? What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

Our most successful outreach methods are door-knocking and flyering. The Bryant neighborhood is 69 percent people of color, so door-knocking is particularly successful in reaching traditionally underrepresented community members.

## **Neighborhood Priorities**

#### PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY NEW PRIORITIES YOU HAVE APPROVED.

N/A

### 2016 Highlights

#### PLEASE DESCRIBE ONE OR TWO MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

- What was the issue or opportunity the neighborhood was facing?
- Who was impacted?
- What steps did you take to address the issue or opportunity?
- What was the outcome?

#### **15. MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #1**

As an organization, BNO is focused on social justice issues that impact our community members. As development brings the threat of gentrification into Bryant, community members are concerned about their ability to stay in their homes as they age. Bryant was one of the first neighborhoods to have the Tilsen homes which opened up home ownership to African Americans. We are proud of our history and want to enable community members to stay in their homes and resist gentrification.

To this end, despite various leadership issues, BNO successfully held a social justice and safety community meeting. Over 40 community members participated, making it one of the most successful meetings of the year.

#### **16. MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2**

Over the past couple years, BNO went through a succession of leadership transitions in a short amount of time that impacted our organization's ability to work towards its goals. In an innovative response to this situation, BNO and the Lyndale Neighborhood Association have joined forces to share staff and resources to build up the organization. As an organization with no paid staff at the moment, the work plan includes building up the board, coming up with a Community Equity Platform that will shape our work over the next several years, and building a base of volunteers.

This partnership enables BNO to focus on building the organization back up without having to spend time on administrative duties. While the Board of Directors is a working board, this partnership enables them to spend their time doing the outreach and organizing that will help build the organization's capacity.